

THEATRE PARTY SET MONDAY FOR CHILDREN

Children of the city and rural area of Porterville will be entertained Monday, December 20, at a Christmas theatre party to be given through cooperation of Everett Howell and James Howell, Porterville theatre managers, and members of the merchant committee of the Porterville chamber of commerce.

The morning show, for children from Porterville elementary school, will start at 10 o'clock in the Monache theatre; the afternoon show, for children from rural elementary schools, is scheduled for 1 o'clock, also at the Monache theatre.

Invitations Out

Being invited for the afternoon show are pupils from the elementary schools at Strathmore, Terra Bella, Ducor, Springville, Poplar, Woodville and all other country schools in this general area.

The program will include a feature picture, "Adventures of Rusty;" four cartoons and community singing led by James Howell. Santa Claus will be present at both programs and candy and oranges will be given to children attending.

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APPLICATIONS FOR TULE RIVER WATER TO BE DISCUSSED

WATER OUTLOOK IMPROVED BY SNOW FALL

Although threatening clouds over the valley area of southern Tulare county for the past week have produced only a small amount of rain, considerable snow has fallen in the high mountain country, improving the prospects for water during the coming summer season.

Reports from the Forest Service in Porterville indicate that as of Wednesday of this week, 22 inches of snow was on the ground in the Mineral King district at an elevation of from 7,500 to 8,000 feet. Snow fall was reported along the Sierra Nevada as far south as the Greenhorn country.

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IRA ANTHONY MASTER OF POPLAR GRANGE

Ira Anthony was elected master of the Poplar Grange at a recent meeting with other officers including: Joe Wyatt, overseer; Ellen Wyatt, lecturer; Frank Schmitt, steward; Vern Schwartz, assistant steward; Anna Anthony, chaplain.

H. H. Taggard, treasurer; Mrs. Lena Baker, secretary; Mr. Vinter, gatekeeper; Mrs. Vinter, Ceres; Rena Marshall, Pomona; Ollie Schmidt, Flora; Ethel Schwartz, lady assistant steward; Alma Davenport, executive committee for three years and Mrs. H. H. Taggard, pianist.

Other business of the meeting included obligating Mr. and Mrs.

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Water Users Below Success Invited To Meeting

Applications from Kern and Kings county agencies for water stored by the proposed Success Valley dam will be discussed at a meeting of farmers and other water users located below the dam site at a meeting scheduled for next Wednesday evening, December 22, 8 P. M. in the Porterville city hall. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Particular attention will be given to an "application to appropriate unappropriated water," filed with the state division of water resources by the Southern San Joaquin Municipal Utility district, Delano, copies of which will be available at the meeting. Several similar applications have been filed for the Tule river water by other agencies.

Bureau Representative

To be present at the meeting is a representative from the Sacramento office of the planning division of the bureau of reclamation, who will discuss various aspects of the filing in relation to water rights of users along the river. The meeting is being arranged by residents of the Vandalia area.

Application of the Southern San Joaquin Valley Municipal
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1100 MORE PHEASANTS ARE BEING RELEASED



Farm Tribune Photo

An additional 1,100 pheasants, raised on the state game farm west of Porterville just off Morton street, will be released in Tulare county within the next 10 days or two weeks to bring the year's total to approximately 4,500 birds planted from the farm.

Pheasants being released now are primarily for field breeding purposes, according to George Franklin, game conservation aid in charge of the farm, with ratio being about half roosters and half hens. Rooster plantings will be heaviest in the areas where the greatest kills were reported during the recent hunting season.

Pictures

Shown in the accompanying Farm Tribune pictures are Mr. Franklin, with three roosters and the lower picture, taken in

a pen at the game farm, shows birds of the type that are being released.

Pheasants being planted were obtained from the state game farm at Fresno when they were about four weeks old and raised in the pens at Porterville. Present plan is for increased facilities at the Porterville farm that will make possible the handling of day-old birds, and added pen space will increase farm capacity from 3,600 to 4,000 birds. Pens can be filled and birds released twice in the period of a year.

Farm Developed

The first pheasant pens were placed in Porterville in the spring of 1946 by the Southern Tulare County Sportsmen's association, in cooperation with the City of Porterville. The Di-

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"Fair Trade" For Citrus Sales

A "fair trades practice" resolution for the citrus industry is among subjects that are slated for discussion at a monthly meeting of delegates of the California Citrus Producers association, scheduled for Redlands today and tomorrow.

The resolution will seek to set up a formula that would define a fair margin of profit at each level of handling as citrus products pass from growers to consumers.

Victor Bowker and Paul Moore are Porterville delegates of the association; Clark Schultz and Tom Strain, Lindsay delegates.

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**California Chamber
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Operation of the Central Valleys project by a special agency of the state of California rather than by the federal bureau of reclamation has been given approval by the California State chamber of commerce.

The water resources committee of the chamber also recommended that the project be retained in its original form, with costs and repayments kept separate from later additions to the project.

**1100 More Pheasants
Are Being Released**

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vision of Fish and Game, State of California took over the farm in January 1947.

Mr. Franklin states that visitors are always welcome at the farm and suggests that the next few days, prior to the release of mature birds, is an excellent time to look over the farm setup.

Assisting Mr. Franklin at the farm is Belton Evans.

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**Peat Moss
Is Needed In
Heavy Soils**

Peat moss has a definite place in the management of heavy soils, says Karl W. Opitz, Tulare county assistant farm advisor, but he warns gardeners that it cannot be considered a fertilizer in any true sense of the word.

Peat moss is used only for improving the physical condition of the soil and its use has steadily increased in popularity. One bale of shreaded peat moss to 400 square feet, mixed in the top six inches of heavy clay soil, should be enough to lighten it. This will make the soil more granular, and consequently more permeable to water, air, roots, and micro-organisms necessary to the soils.

The assistant farm advisor says some light soils may also gain from the addition of peat moss. It should help bind the soil particles, retard excessive percolation of the water, and make the soil more retentive of moisture and nutrients.

**Bancroft Heads
Farmer Group**

Phillip Bancroft of Walnut Creek, was elected president of the Associated Farmers of California at conclusion of a state meeting held last week in Fresno.

Other officers named were: Don Steadman of Gridley, northern vice president; A. B. Hanson of Santa Maria, southern vice president; H. L. Strobel of Salinas, returned to office as secretary-treasurer, and C. L. Unger of Fresno and William Croddy of Orange County, directors at large.

During the meeting, the farm group pledged support to the un-American activities investigation committee headed by State Senator Jack Tenney (Tenney spoke at the meeting); passed a resolution favoring state procurement of Mexican National farm labor when domestic labor is not available; opposed purchase of former federal labor camps by the state while favoring a plan whereby non-profit farmer groups can secure the camps, and proposed removal of California soil conservation districts from local control.

Survey of administrative needs of the proposed new Tulare county courthouse is being made by J. R. Hansen, representing the Gordon Whitnall firm of planning engineers in Los Angeles.

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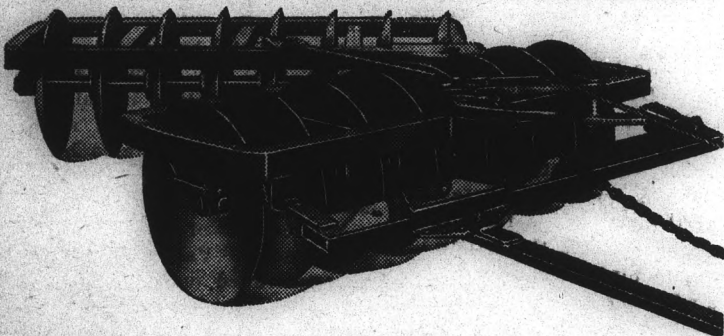
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Football players and coaches of Porterville college and high school heard Carl Elder, coach of the valley small-school champion Woodlake football team, declare that the two key necessities of championship teams are physical condition and team spirit, in a talk given Wednesday evening at a dinner meeting held in honor of Porterville football players and coaches and sponsored by Porterville Post No. 20, American Legion.

Mr. Elder, who was raised in Porterville and graduated from Porterville high school, spoke of the tradition that lies behind football in Porterville, mentioning the rugby team of about 1914 that twice played for the state championship, then told of some of the great players who have competed for Porterville.

Train Now

At the conclusion of his talk, Mr. Elder emphasized that if a boy really wants to play football, he will let nothing stand in his way, and stated that "right now" is the time for boys to start training if they intend to have a championship team at Porterville next year.

Introducing Mr. Elder was Rodgers L. Moore, supervisor-elect from the 1st district, a long-time friend of the Woodlake coach, whose team last year won the small schools championship of the San Joaquin valley and repeated during the current year.

Ed Ashley, high school student body president and football player, introduced coaches Bill Wilson of the college; Garrett and Wal Meyer, of the high school varsity; Charles Brugh and Forrest Mock, of the lightweights and C class; co-captains of the college team, Bill Cline and Doug Johnson; co-captains of the high school varsity, Howard Hill and Calvin Miller; co-captains of the high school lightweights, Don Phipps and Don Burnside and co-captains of the C team, Leroy Jordan and Pat Bastian.

Easterbrook Speaks

Also speaking at the meeting was Charles W. Easterbrook, school district superintendent. Gilbert Rickels, Porterville college student told of the current drive for funds to fight tuberculosis.

Introduced during the evening were Paul Stathem, supervisor of Sequoia National Forest and Leon Thomas, of the Forest of-

fice.

Assisting, Robert H. McGee with the preparation and serving of a baked ham and beans dinner were Pete Wells, Walt Pratt, Joe Miller, Myron Wilcox, Jess Sailor, Willard Wall, Hugh Williams, Glenn Jackson, Bland Brown and Mac Millinich.

Candle-Light Vesper Service Planned Sunday

Christmas Candle-Light Vespers, as for several years, again will be held at the Porterville Congregational Church on Sunday afternoon, December 19, at 4:45. The Girls' Glee club of the Porterville Union High school, directed by Mrs. Katharine Washburn, will provide the special music with Mrs. Raymond Neufeld at the organ.

Fred Cummings will read "The Noel Candle," a story by Clement C. Moore, and Mrs. Willis L. Goldsmith will direct the Candle-lighting ceremony. Many look forward to this service from year to year. Those who have never attended it are especially invited.

Ducor 4-H Contributes To CROP Drive

Members of the Ducor 4-H club contributed \$25 toward the C.R.O.P. drive for European relief foods and fibre, that is now being conducted in Tulare county, at a meeting of the organization held Monday evening at Ducor.

Arlene Morris reported on the recent Great Western Livestock show; Christmas gifts were exchanged; games were played and refreshments served. Presiding was John Dennis.

Christmas Party For Children Of Poplar

Annual Christmas party for children of the Poplar community will be given tonight at the tent theatre by members of the Poplar chamber of commerce.

Entertainment, some special surprises and the presentation of gifts is planned for the evening.

Favor of reasonable farm support prices has been voiced by Paul S. Willis, president of the Grocery Manufacturers of America.

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By ROBERT H. ANDERSON
Assistant Farm Advisor

Protein pays dividends in increased gains on beef cattle when fed supplementally to the dry range forage during the fall and winter months. Many experiment station results have shown this to be the case. One example of supplemental feeding is recorded where the supplemented cattle gained 152 lbs. per head in 88 days as compared to only 56 lbs. gain on the non-supplemented cattle during the same

period.

Tulare county ranges now are well leached and the protein content of what native feed is left is extremely low. A protein concentrate, such as cottonseed meal or cake, will greatly improve the ration.

Dry Roughage

When grazing is short, some dry roughage should also be fed. Grain feeding on the range is generally unnecessary.

Vitamin 9 supplements such as alfalfa has is necessary when

cattle have not had access to any green feed for two to three months. This is especially important in the beef breeding herd. Feeder calves and yearlings will carry more weight and bloom and will be in much better shape to make rapid gains in the feed lot if they are supplemented with approximately 1½ lbs. of cottonseed cake per head per day after the native feed becomes dry and leached.

Breeding cows will carry more flesh into the fall and winter season and will be in condition to produce larger, healthier calves and a greater milk flow if they

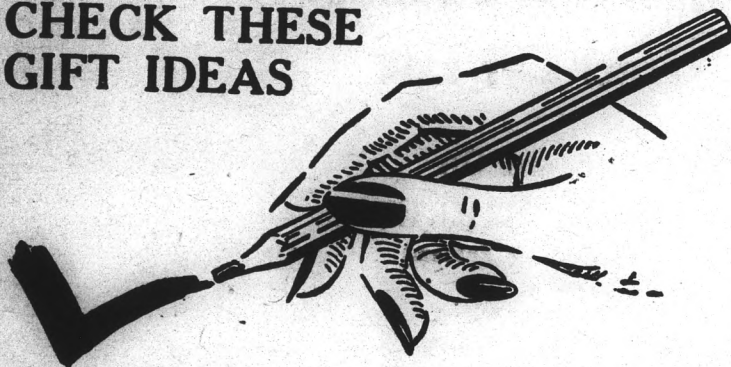
FOOTBALL PLAYERS GUESTS AT WRESTLING

Jim and Jack Starks have announced that an invitation has been extended to all members of the Porterville high school football squads, the College squad and coaches to attend, as guests, next Monday evening's wrestling matches at the Green Mill Sports arena in Porterville.

receive 1 to 2 lbs. of cake as the grass becomes dry. Stockmen should also be aware of vitamin A shortages where cattle are grazing on native feed during a prolonged dry season. Vitamin A deficiency in breeding cows can seriously affect the calf crop and cottonseed meal or cake is not a source of Vitamin A.

In many cases it is too late to get marked benefit from supplemental feeding on the ranges this year, but it not to late to think about the coming year in time to do a better job in livestock feeding.

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Army spokesman declares that a four-lane 99 highway is essential in an adequate highway setup that would be used in time of war.

Commodity Outlook For 1949 Summarized By Bureau Of Agricultural Economics

By ROBERT C. TETRO
Bureau of Ag. Economics

Not all farmers have prospered during the past few years; nor will they suffer from the declines now occurring in farm prices and incomes.

High feed prices during the past year increased incomes of some grain producers, partly offset drought losses of many farmers in the Midwest, and added to the costs of livestock producers in deficit feed areas.

Similar variations exist among other commodities. For example, a bad weather break for peach growers in the South resulted in higher prices for mid-Atlantic and Western growers.

Livestock Good

Price changes expected give some idea how different farmers will fare next year. In general, producers of livestock and livestock products do better. Prices they will receive are not expected to be much different, their feed costs will be substantially lower and production will be up a little.

The drop in feed costs will appear as lower prices to cash grain producers and to farmers with oilseeds to sell. These farm-

ers have larger supplies and with not much change expected in demand, their prices will be lower next year.

Fruits Lower

Fruits and vegetables are the only groups of commodities which were priced lower in September 1948 than in September 1945. Some analysts believe these products already have made their "postwar adjustment" and that their prices will change less than for other commodities. However, some declines appear likely particularly for fruit.

Price supports for basic commodities—corn, wheat, cotton, tobacco, rice and peanuts—are continued at 90 percent of parity by the Agricultural Act of 1948. Supports may be slightly lower next year because of declines expected in the index of prices paid by farmers including interest and taxes.

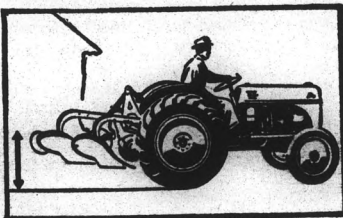
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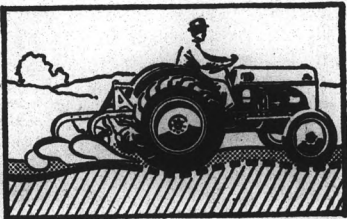
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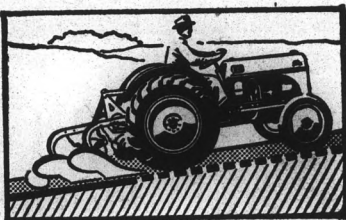
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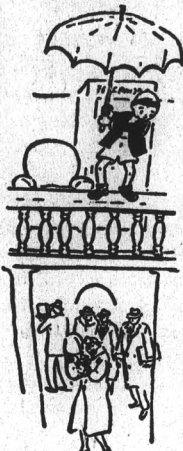
'Tis the Season to Be Jolly— Let's Not Spoil Our Fun With Folly

THE holiday season is one of happiness and rejoicing. With thoughts attuned to things ethereal, the Christmas spirit, and that feeling for our fellow man that pervades the season, many of us are apt unconsciously to become accident bait.

Here are pine-time pointers to help prevent those holiday mishaps, all based on actual accidents reported to the Red Cross:

Even if bubbling over with Christmas spirit, try to keep a corner of your mind on the immediate present.

If your daughter is in a candle-light service or entertainment requiring angelic costumes, insist on electric tapers. Thin, gauzy costumes burn like all get-out, as do many garlands, wreaths and trimmings used to decorate Sunday schools, churches, and homes.



When you're downtown shopping, remember the traffic cop is your pal. Follow his instructions. Don't load yourself so high with packages you need a seeing eye dog. Many a shopper has come a cropper in a revolving door because he forgot to remember that fools rush in where angels wouldn't push.

Keep your eye on Junior! The same goes for

little Jane. There's no telling what they'll do when shopping with Papa or Mama. Parachuting from the mezzanine, falling off swings, tumbling down crowded stairs, and hurting themselves on sharp, pointed toys, are just a few possibilities reported to the Red Cross—in addition to their getting lost and spoiling the rest of the day for you.

When it comes to the tree, put it in the coolest spot in the room so it

won't dry out too quickly. Don't over-extend yourself when putting the star on the topmost tip or in reaching for a branch. It's safer to move the stepladder.

Keep little tykes away from the turkey you are basting. Hot gravy



can be painful and yell-provoking. If Junior in his new cowboy suit wants to play wild west, don't allow him to add your carving knife to his outfit.

In other words, let the season be one of happiness and rejoicing, salted with a measure of sense and safety.

class of the junior division of the recent Great Western Livestock show in Los Angeles, placed 6th and 7th in a class of 55 of the top animals in the west.

Woodard took a first place in beef showmanship in the Future Farmer class.

The Visalia city council has voted against granting exemptions from the city sales tax for county, school district and other district purchases.

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By Wm. E. GILFILLAN
Farm Advisor

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If you have any doubts, call your local electrician and ask him. He has a wiring book called the National Electric Code which incorporates test data of the Underwriters Laboratories. And look for the Underwriters "UL" label on the appliances and wiring you buy—it shows the article has been tested for safety.

Farm Motors

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Three hundred sixty acres of acrofts are being harvested and shipped from the Dos Palos area this season.

Farm Tribune Ads Get Results!

Quick Decline Carrier Is Still Mystery

Mystery of how quick decline has spread through infected citrus areas in southern California is still unsolved, although entomologists at the Riverside experiment station have tested 245 species of insects, involving some 137,000 individuals, in an effort to determine the carrier.

The disease, which quickly kills individual orange trees and which has ruined large acreages in southern California, has not been found in the San Joaquin valley as yet. A survey of every

HARE NAMED TO BEET GROWER BOARD

James F. Hare, of Tipton, was last week elected to the board of directors of the California Beet growers association, district number 6. Theodore Kummerfield, of Corcoran, was reelected president and Roscoe Bessey, also of Corcoran, was named secretary.

citrus grove in Tulare county by Oscar Hemphill, agricultural commissioner, failed to uncover any trees infected with quick decline, according to a report issued this week.

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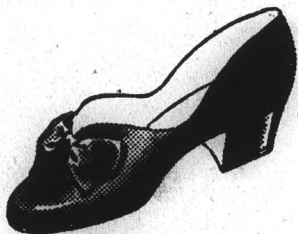
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Citrus Producers Offer Statement At Congressional Committee Hearing

(Following is a report, presented by the California Citrus Producers association, at the recent hearings conducted by the House Agricultural committee in Fresno.)

On behalf of the growers of the California Citrus Producers Association we wish to thank you kindly for making possible this opportunity to present our problems for the consideration of your Committee of the Congress.

Since it is desirable that our presentation be brief, we would like, with your permission, to submit later a more detailed bill of particulars.

One of our major objectives is to check into the price spread on citrus fruit from the wholesaler to the consumer. Our studies indicate a very definite exorbitant differential. If our growers could obtain a fair proportion the citrus business in California would be on a profitable basis. As it was last year, many growers of citrus after filling out their income tax form, had no tax to pay.

Overproduction

We hear much of overproduction. Florida and Texas have vastly expanded their production but this has not been the development in California. At one time we produced most of the nation's citrus now our production is about one third of the nation's supplies. Of course we have some advantages with our prevailing high standards of quality.

We do not accept the defeatist attitude of hopeless overproduction. Instead, we wish to put our effort toward improving the mechanics for an expanding distribution of our product. By supplying an attractive food to the consumer at a fair price, consumption should increase to the end that we may earn a decent return for our effort and invest-

ments.

Low Prices

It is almost paradoxical that despite controls through our large California cooperatives, and Government pro-rate regulation of shipments, the citrus business was one of the first to realize disastrous low price returns to the grower after price controls were lifted.

This occurred at a time when retail prices to the consumer were as high, and many times even higher, than prevailed under Government price control. For example: During price control, retailers sold Tulare County Navel oranges around 9c-11c per pound and the grower received roughly 4-5c per pound at the same time. Last fall, Tulare County Navels were bringing 12-14c per pound in eastern retail stores and at the same time, growers were receiving 1/2 to 1 1/2c per pound. This gross inequity prevailed all through the industry and gave impetus, at that time, to the formation of the California Citrus Producers Association, to inquire into the situation and see what we as growers could do to bring about corrective measures.

Costs Up

We will not go into detail now on our production, harvesting and marketing costs. You no doubt can appreciate that they have gone up tremendously in recent years.

In the matter of retail price studies for our citrus products, we have found little authoritative information available. We have been in contact with the U. S. Department of Agriculture and

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Masked Monster An Mexican Champ Will Stomp Each Other Monday Night

A masked monster, commonly known as the Zebra Kid, who admittedly fears neither man nor beast, will meet the handsome champion of Mexico, Frank Gonzales, on a double main event wrestling card arranged for the Green Mill Sports arena in Porterville next Monday evening.

Mr. Zebra Kid gained the match with Mr. Gonzales when he, the Zebra Kid, repeatedly and consecutively rapped the head of the Golden Boy against the ring posts last Monday even-

ing to win a decision over the Golden one.

Character Tamed

Meanwhile, Mr. Gonzales, in last Monday's melee, was taming a character by the name of Mike Nazarian, billed as the champion of Hungary, who at various times during the evening rubbed the countenance of Mr. Gonzales with a piece of sandpaper that he conveniently carried in his trunks, and issued challenges to various and sundry spectators who protested his

tactics.

But Mr. Gonzales rose above such hindrances and pinned Mr. Nazarian, who thereafter beat his dainty brogans on the cold, cold canvas and screamed that he hadn't been downed. But being the only individual in the stadium who held to that opinion, the decision of Referee Al Steinhauer stood and Mr. Gonzales thereby became the champion of Hungary as well as the champion of Mexico.

Ugly Performer

In the Monday night opener, which should have been billed as a three-man event, Mr. Steinhauer, the ref., won a moral victory over both wrestlers, but the official vote went to Alabama Jimmie Lott over the Kilted Scotchman, Basher McDonald.

In next Monday's wrestling affair, the second part of the double main will see the Super Swedish Angel, as ugly a performer as graces the canvas anywhere in the west, match body slams and elbow smashes with Ray Stevent, reputed to be also a motion picture actor.

Bureau Board Meets Dec. 23

Board of directors of the Tulare County Farm Bureau will meet Thursday, December 23, at the Hotel Johnson for their regular monthly session, with an auditor's report scheduled, in addition to a report by Roy McLain on the annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation held in Atlantic City.

Dinner will be served at the hotel at 7 P. M.; the business meeting will convene at 8 P. M. Bureau members are requested by Secretary-Manager Sarah R. Smith to mail their dinner reservations without delay.

In the opener, Mr. Lott, mentioned above, will tangle with Honolulu Duke Keomuke.

(Note of interest. In the event that Mr. Gonzales is successful in his conquest of the Zebra Kid, the Mask will be removed from the face of the Kid. In event the Kid wins, he earns the right to continue wearing the mask.)

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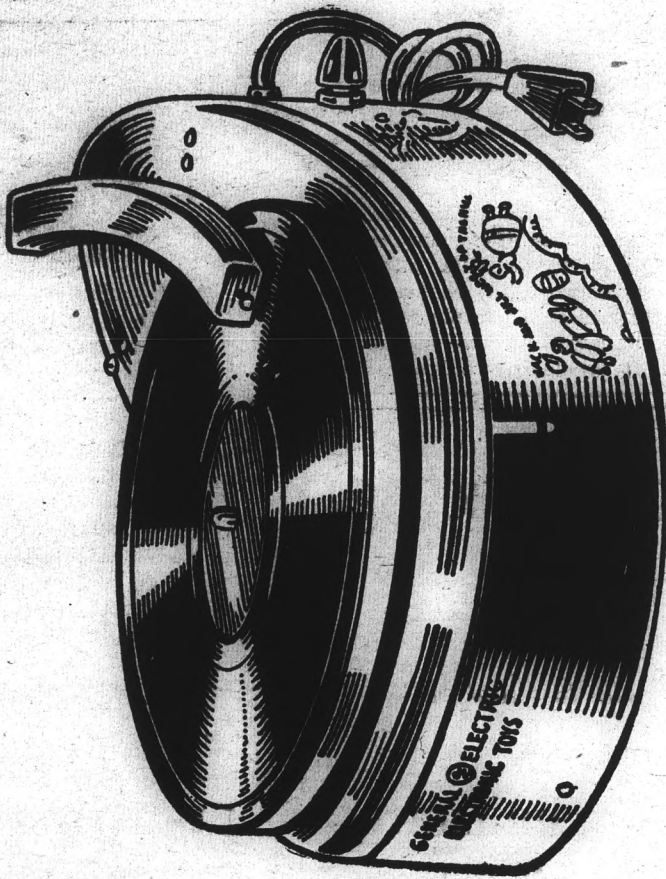
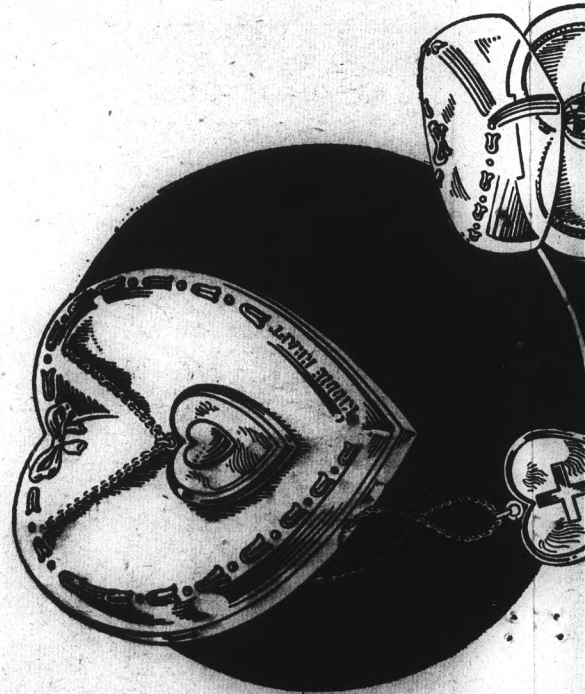
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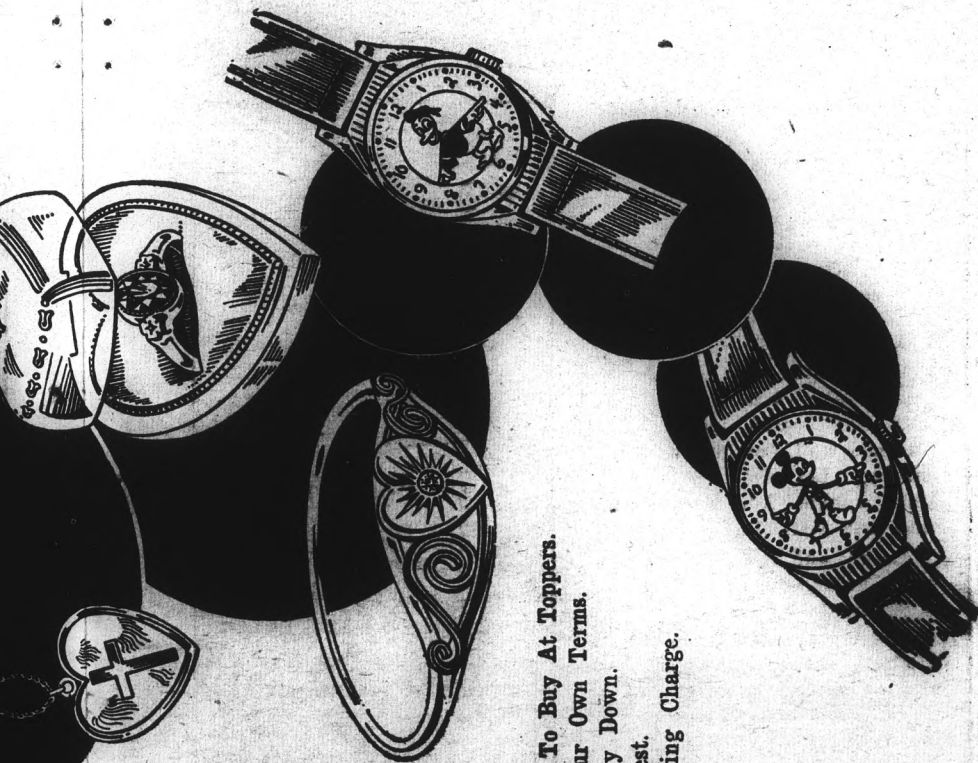
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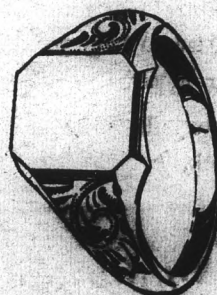
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Barn Theatre Now Casting For Next Show; "Night Must Fall" To Open End Of Month

Casting is now underway for the next production of The Barn Theatre in Porterville, "Night Must Fall," a mystery by Emlyn Williams, that will open the evening of December 25 for a run through December 31.

Persons interested in a part in the play or in assisting with any of the related activities of theatre production should contact Pete Tewksbury, theatre manager, Rt. 1, Box 10-C, telephone 54-W-3, Porterville.

"Night Must Fall," is the story of a murder in a resort hotel, located in Essex, England. Central figure in the plot is Dan, a young bell boy of indeterminate descent, who has a conflicting personality—at times charming, guileless and good humored—but at other times lost in the grip of homicidal instincts.

After completing its Porterville run at the new Barn Theatre building located on South H street, the show will be taken on the road, where bookings have been arranged in several cities of the San Joaquin valley during the month of January.

State Director of Agriculture A. A. Brock is opposing a government plan to set up a foot and mouth disease experiment laboratory in or near the United States on the grounds that he disease should not be brought closer to the United States than it is now.

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Orange Rolls

- 1 c milk
- 3 T butter
- 3 eggs, well beaten
- 4 c flour
- 1 cake yeast
- 1 tsp salt
- 1/2 c sugar

Scald milk, add butter and cool to luke warm. Add yeast and salt. Add beaten eggs to sugar and mix well. Combine with milk mixture. Let rise two hours, or until double. Add rest of flour and mix well. Do not knead.

Cover and let rise for two more hours. Dough will be very soft. Divide in half and roll out in rectangular shape on a well-floured board. Spread with orange filling. Roll up and cut in one-inch slices. Place in well-buttered muffin tins and let rise until double in bulk. Bake 12-15 minutes at 400 degrees.

Orange Filling

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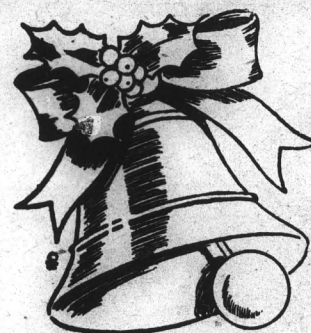
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Citrus Producers Offer Statement At Congressional Committee Hearing

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have asked them to consider making weekly checks on retail citrus prices, so that we could have reliable information to guide us.

Mr. Schoolcraft of the Production and Marketing Administration has advised us that retail price information is being considered but could not be made immediately available because of no funds in their budget for this purpose at present.

We think price information

properly used could place exhorbitant pricing under public scrutiny and have beneficial results. If this proved ineffective, the information should be of value in formulating appropriate corrective legislative measures.

In other words if price controls are the answer to certain greedy practices, it would seem well to first accumulate the facts to base an intelligent remedy where it belongs.

Growers appreciate very much

the inauguration of citrus market news service in California. However, we have asked Mr. Schoolcraft to improve the value of these Government reports by including size information in connection with price reports. At present only New York is reported in this manner, one day after sales are made.

When it is considered that last year it was estimated that the equivalent of 10,000 cars of oranges, mostly small sizes, brought red ink to the grower; a wider dissemination of market information of the proper sort, might save many grower heavy losses.

(To be Continued)

County Men On Spud Committee

Serving on a committee to plan a San Joaquin valley marketing order for 1949 potatoes are C. U. Baugher, W. L. Kiggins and D. Flory, representing Tulare county. Object of the marketing program is to help avert surpluses of potatoes in 1949.

Initial action on the matter was taken this week at a meeting in Bakersfield, attended by 500 potato growers from Kern Tulare, Fresno and Madera counties. It was explained at the meeting that a marketing order would have the effect of barring sales of certain grades of potatoes if surpluses developed.

Growers within the Government support program would receive payments for surplus spuds, however, growers not in the program would not be eligible for support payments.

Kern county potato industry leaders, who recently returned from Washington conferences on the 1949 price support program, declared a marketing order would be the chief protection for the state's potato industry. John Peters of Shafter declared "One more year of hogwild plantings will be our last."

Peters said a marketing order provides the chief hope that the industry will eventually regulate itself. He pointed out this would benefit both new growers who have not had a chance to acquire potato history, and the established growers.

Program Offered At Prairie Center Bureau Meeting

Clem Meith, assistant Tulare county farm advisor, spoke on activities of the Agricultural Extension service, citrus division, at a meeting of the Prairie Center Farm Bureau held last evening at the Sunnyside school.

The 1949 conservation program was discussed by Stanley L. Hill, secretary of the P. & M. A. and a film, "Seat of Destiny," was shown by the Rev. Mr. Brubaker.

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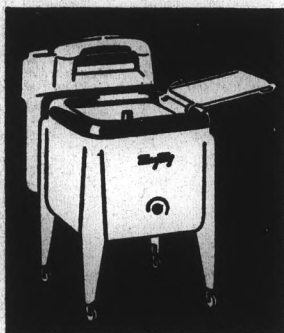
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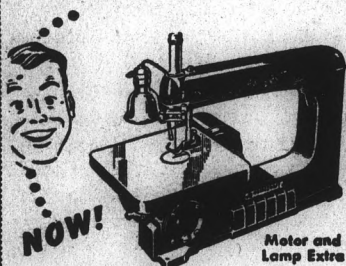
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PLEASE NOTE, SPORTSMEN OF SOUTHERN TULARE COUNTY

One of the least-known projects in the southern Tulare county area seems to be the game farm, operated west of Porterville by the Fish and Game Division of the State of California for the raising of pheasants.

George Franklin, game conservation aid in charge of the farm, tells us that it is not uncommon for interested persons to stop by and inquire as to the farm setup—whether or not it is a nursery (the bird pens might be mistaken for lathe houses by a casual observer) or as to what type of poultry is being raised.

And a quick survey of our own indicates that a number of persons, some of them sportsmen, right in Porterville do not know that the farm exists or have only a vague idea of how it operates. And no doubt there are many persons throughout the county who know nothing of the farm.

So!

We would like to suggest that directors of the Southern Tulare County Sportsmen's association take it upon themselves to provide some adequate signs on roads leading past the game farm, telling what the farm is, who operates it and possibility inviting visitors to stop.

Certainly the farm is a highly worthwhile project; it is an asset to the community and it has considerable natural interest for most persons, regardless of whether or not they are active sportsmen.

And certainly the farm is worthy of at least a sign or two that might enlighten persons driving by.

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Claude Letsinger Opens Agricultural Supply Business

An agricultural supplies business has been opened at Orange and D streets in Porterville by Claude H. Letsinger of Terra Bella, with Best dry fertilizers and Green Acres liquid fertilizers being handled.

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It appears that the team attached to the Redd Bros. delivery wagon took it into their heads to bolt.

Starting in the neighborhood of Putnam's store, they were careening north when Jim, who had a slight "jag" on, essayed to stop them by standing in the middle of the road and waving his arms like a "pull the string and the figure moves" toy.

But the fiery steeds ignoring his presents, knocked him down and waltzed over his inanimate form, without, however, hurting him in the least. When Jim regained his feet, he looked very much like a bale of wool covered with mud.

The team was stopped outside the postoffice without having caused any damage farther than a broken neck yoke. Jim is now wearing his \$35 liquidation suit.

An English syndicate has bond-

ed all D. B. James' mines in White River for \$10,000. We hear that they will pay \$130,000 altogether and intend working them in good shape.

They will remove the ore crusher from Tail Holt to the principal mine and will sink a 200-foot shaft, for the latter of which they ordered 60,000 feet of lumber from the Poso Creek mill.

On Saturday morning last, Joe Box lassoed a fine buck on the Jack ranch. Joe was out running some cattle when he sighted the deer, and as the animal had a considerable limp, Joe gave chase.

The buck had a bullet wound in its left foreleg so it could not make good headway. It's antlers measured 38 inches across and it is the largest of its kind ever seen in this district.

Two boys arrived at White River from Saoquel a few weeks back and started in prospecting. They came to Tail Holt Sunday with \$193 worth of gold that they had panned on a placer claim.

Mrs. "Cattle Queen" Carver has bought 1,200 head of cattle from John Hughes and 200 from J. Buckland. It is believed that she made the deal for the low figure of \$10 per head.

On Tuesday last, J. B. Sutherland of Fountain Springs bought three lots on the Hockett and Parkhurst addition for \$300.

The rainfall for the 4th inst. amounted to .03, making 6.20 inches for the season so far.

The Milo Literary club met last Friday night. The question for debate was, "Resolved That War Has Caused More Wretchedness Than Intemperance." The leaders of the negative were Mr. Brockett, Miss McGowan and

Judge Baily; the affirmative were A. Sorrenson, Miss E. Tremper and Mrs. P. Murphy. The negative gained the question.

Rudolph Klien will put out 30 acres of apples at his White River ranch.

A couple of silvery grey foxes, which are very scarce in the state, were caught by two trappers, at Marshall Meadow last Sunday. They also caught a beaver.

During the past year about \$170,000 worth of new buildings have been erected in Porterville; brick structures amounting to \$98,000 and frame, residential property amounting to \$72,000.

Q. H. Johnson, who is well known in Porterville, and who bought a store at Glenville sometime back, has sold out to J. D. Danner, of White River.

Rube Prescott, formerly of Dillon's mill, will superintendent the sawyers at the Poso Mill next spring.

National price of wheat has dropped from the recent \$3-level to the support price of \$2.

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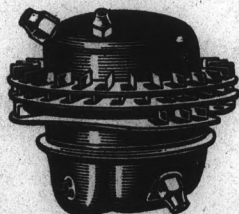
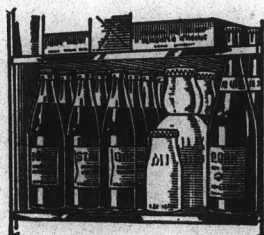
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Valencia Crop Greater

A 61,600,000 box crop of valencia oranges in the nation from the 1948 bloom was this week predicted by the United States department of agriculture, the figure representing a nine per cent increase over last year and 28 per cent above average.

Total orange crop from the 1948 bloom for the nation was estimated at 188,900,000 boxes as compared to 114,380,000 boxes from last year's bloom.

This season's grapefruit crop is now indicated at 56,200,000 boxes, the department said in its monthly crop report. This figure compares with 61,600,000 boxes for the 1947-48 crop and with the (1937-46) average of 47,500,000 boxes.

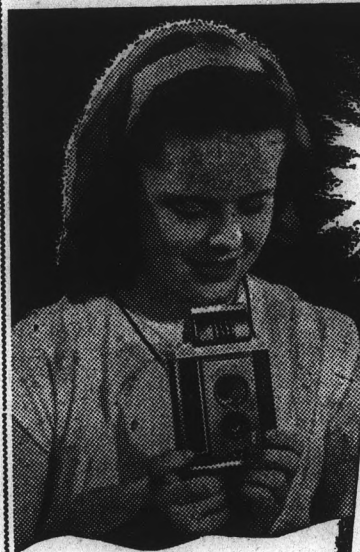
The California lemon crop was forecast at 13,100,000 boxes, down 400,000 boxes from last month's forecast. Last season's harvest totaled 12,900,000 boxes. The 1947-46 average is 12,800,000.

Production of citrus fruits by states was indicated as follows:

Oranges—California, 44,700,000 boxes; Florida, 64,000,000; Texas, 4,700,000; Arizona, 1,180,000; Louisiana 320,000.

Grapefruit—Florida, 31,000,000 boxes; Texas, 19,000,000; Arizona, 3,600,000; California, 2,650,000.

A rate expert of the California Public Utilities commission has advised the Interstate Commerce commission that emergency freight rate increases for the four railroads serving California are not necessary.



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BY
HARRY BRITTON

Dropped into a shuffleboard spot to scout the alleged ability of Wilbur Dennis, the Mayor of Ducor. The man on the next stool, between gulps, remarked that the ice isn't as good as it used to be and went on to say that what we needed in this town was not a swimming pool, but a High School Gymnasium and waxed eloquently on the lack of facilities for the casaba athletes.

It was getting a little thick, so I told the man that I would run out and have a look and here is what I found: About 40 candidates for the Panther squad were practicing under the watchful eye of Forrest Mock on one of the court, while about 90 kids greeted coach Chuck Brugh.

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The "C" class practices on the outside court, and Garrett Arbelbide has the Junior Varsity composed of players cut from the Panther varsity. It looks like it will be necessary for Garrett to subscribe to a course in the International Correspondence school for his boys.

From the spectators standpoint—Well lets not get into either the arrangement or capacity. The official pitchout on this is, how are you going to compete successfully with team from schools who can practice 2 or 3 hours daily. Maybe the man on the stool has something.

The Panthers play a non league game with Bakersfield on December 18th, but you will have to wait until January 6th of next year to get a peek at the College. Our Panthers won at Exeter, but the Cubs lost. All college games will start at 8 P. M. and all High School games will start with the lightweights in the curtain raiser starting at 7 P. M.

that has been scheduled for the Green Mill Sports arena in Porterville next Thursday evening, December 23, beginning at 8:30 o'clock.

In the three top bouts, Manuel Carrasco will meet Walter Caldwell, Kid Palooka is match-

ed against J. D. McClanahan and Mickey Smith will match punches with Chief Bigay.

In the preliminaries, Johnnie Salas meets Jim Caldwell, Ray Vasquez boxes Coke McClintoc and Ernie Huerta meets Louie Ramos.

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By BILL WHITE, JR.

Are you television-minded? Then it looks as though your living room bleacher-seat is going to be protected. With more than 40 television stations now operating and others on the way, some major league baseball clubs and eastern fight promoters were ready to turn thumbs-down on TV, because they claimed the free peeks might ruin their business. So, now CBS has moved in and bought a chunk of the Tournament of Champions, which means they're protecting the showing rights. And you can look for other tele-



vision networks to start bidding in various types of ball clubs and sports associations. As has always been claimed, "Where there's a will, (and a fat wallet), there's a way"! Look for a big boom in TV stations and sets all over the United States this coming year—and keep a bottle of pop and a bag of peanuts handy, because pretty soon you're going to be "ringsiding" every top sporting event in the country.

Everyone is Holiday-minded these days. Hurrying here and there for the things they need. Don't forget to stop in for your holiday beverages at BILL'S LIQUOR STORE, 118 North Main Street. Phone: 627.

Tips Given On Pruning And Disease Treatment In Citrus By Farm Advisor

By H. C. MEITH
Assistant Farm Advisor

The pruning of citrus trees is not an important operation as it is in many other kinds of fruit production. Citrus pruning is the kind of thing that can be

put off until every third or fourth year and then be skipped if there is anything more important to do. However, occasionally little time may be devoted profitably to a light pruning job on citrus trees.

Sometimes an excessive amount of dead wood interferes with picking or pest control operations. Much good can be done in such cases simply by breaking out this dead wood.

Bend Suckers

Sucker wood in vigorous trees should be bent down and pulled to the outside of the tree, where it can become fruitful. Suckers arising from the trunk of the tree or on the main frame may be cut out if they cannot be made part of the structure of the tree. If too much of this vigorous wood is removed, however, it will only encourage the growth of more wood where the cuts are made. The removal of good wood to "let light into the trees" is a mistake and usually results in lower yields.

One of the most profitable things that can come out of a pruning job is that by going from tree to tree breaking out dead wood, for instance the grower will be able to examine the trunk of the trees for scaly bark or gummosis symptoms. Often-times such beginning symptoms may never be noticed from the outside of the tree while the top is still in good condition. However, it is at this early stage that the most benefit can be obtained from scaly bark or gummosis treatments.

Cotton Passes Picking Peak; Labor Adequate

Cotton picking in the San Joaquin Valley is past the peak and there is sufficient labor in the area to complete the harvest, according to Porterville office of farm labor reports of the State Department of Employment.

With the decline of this last major 1948 harvest, Edward F. Hayes, Chief of Farm Placement, advises farm workers that the needs for seasonal harvest labor will decrease between now and late next spring. Cotton pickers, and other farm workers still on seasonal jobs, are urged to save their earnings so that they can live without distress during the off-season in early spring.

The Imperial valley reports a heavy influx of migrant workers and a surplus has developed. Workers are advised that no additional harvest labor is needed in the valley at the present time.

The pruning operation now in progress in Central and Northern California is done primarily by skilled local workers and the present labor supply is adequate.

Prediction is made that the San Joaquin valley will have three times as many mechanical cotton pickers next year as now.

Land covered with vegetation will absorb water at a much more rapid rate than bare land.

Carry Supplies

While pruning, the grower can carry a small kit of supplies along to treat diseased trees as he finds them, or he can simply chart the grove and indicate on the chart the diseased trees to be treated later.

Further information on pruning and leaflets describing the treatment of gummosis and the chemical treatment of scaly bark may be obtained from the Farm Advisor's Office, Post Office building, Visalia.

Freeland Farnsworth, Porterville, is one of the consignors to the Red Bluff California Bull sale, scheduled at Red Bluff February 3, 4, and 5.

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Water Users Below Success Invited To Meeting

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Utility district, signed by Harry S. Riddell, chief engineer, concerns both water and power. A description of diversion works

in the application concerns transportation of Success dam water through a 50-mile canal for "stock water and domestic use for all farms above Friant-Kern canal" in the Utility district area and for lands east and south of the district from the Kern-Tulare line to Poso creek lying below the 575-foot contour.

100,000 Acres

Area to be irrigated, as stated in the application, is 100,000 acres; water to be diverted is requested as 500 cubic per second (equal to 646,317 gallons per day) without storage and 100,000 acre feet per annum of temporarily stored water. The period of diversion for both types of water is stated as January 1 to December 31 each year.

Also included in the application is a request for domestic water for Delano and MacFarland and recreational use of the water is also mentioned. Concerning the transportation canal, the request states that "construction work will begin on or before September 1, 1949," and will be completed "on or before September 1, 1955."

Possible Power

Concerning possible power output from the dam, mention is made of a "theoretical horsepower capable of being generated by the works is 7,500 horsepower."

The applications from the Utility district have been on file with the division of water resources since September of 1946.

Ira Anthony Master Of Poplar Grange

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Vinter to the third and fourth degree of the Grange. A potluck dinner was served prior to the business meeting.

Out-going master of the Grange is Vern Schwartz.

Farm Tribune Ads Pay

Grand Jury Report Jan. 15

Final report of the Tulare county grand jury will be made on or before January 15, it was announced this week.

Hearing on the case of County Tax Collector W. E. Rippey is set for December 22, Mr. Rippey being charged by the grand jury with nine specific occasions of violation of state laws in connection with the administration of the tax collectors office.

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Water Outlook Improved By Snow

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Low Last Year

As a comparative figure, snow on the ground at Mineral King on December 15 of last year amounted to only six inches.

Rainfall in the valley area of southern Tulare county amounted to about .13 of an inch during the past week to bring the season total to about .70 inches.

Weather reports indicate that additional storms may move into the San Joaquin valley from the north during the next few days.

INSURANCE AGAINST FARM LABOR STRIKES

Insurance against loss resulting from farm labor strikes is now available to all farmers of the state through the Agricultural Insurance Exchange, an association headed by Phillip Bancroft, new head of the Associated Farmers of California.

Farm Tribune Ads Pay

Sales Clerks Union Organizing

Retail Sales Clerks' Union, No. 170, American Federation of Labor, will meet Monday evening in the Porterville Labor hall, 306 No. Main, upstairs, at 8 o'clock, according to Jay Porter, business agent and organizer.

Problems related to the local organization; new memberships and working conditions are slated for discussion. The group is meeting every Monday evening during the period of organization. No officers have been elected as yet.

PRINCIPAL CLEARED ON SPANKING CHARGE

A jury verdict of "non-suit" was returned in the Superior court of Glenn L. Moran in the case of Mrs. Sally Hansen of Tipton who asked damages of \$2,000 from A. B. Stewart, Tipton school principal, for spanking her minor son, Bobby Lee.

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